GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6287
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ASSISTANCE FROM SUGAR DEVELOPMENT FUND
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the total corpus and objectives of the Sugar Development Funds (SDF);

(b) whether financial assistance is provided from SDF for revival of sugar mills including co-operative mills;

(c) if so, the details of the proposals received for providing assistance to sugar mills from the States including Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(d) the current status of the said proposals alongwith the funds approved and released during the said period, Statewise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a): The balance amount in Sugar Development Fund account with Department of Food and Public Distribution as on 01.4.2010 was Rs.102.47 crore, whereas the amount for the purpose of SDF in the Consolidated Fund of India, yet to be transferred to SDF account as on 01.4.2010 was Rs.1208.92 crore. As per SDF Act, 1982, Sugar Development Fund is to be used to provide for the financing of activities for development of sugar industry and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(b): Yes, Madam.

(c): No proposal has been received during the last three years and in the current year for financial assistance from SDF for revival of sugar mills in the States including Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra.

(d): Does not arise in view of (c) above.